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This Week's Motto:

Perhaps doctors try to make people live longer, so they will get paid.

Charting a Course

An air of excitement has been building up around the offices of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce in recent weeks as an inspired membership under the leadership of Manager Don Reining sets about to put in action a program designed to put the organization on a business-like basis.

Positive steps have been outlined by the recently appointed manager to assure that the Chamber will more adequately represent all segments of the city, and that it draws its strength from all segments of the city.

Among the first goals of the newly inspired Chamber is an ambitious membership program, with the announced goal of bringing into the Chamber representatives of all business, industrial, and allied organizations in the city.

The overhauling of the objectives and actions of the Chamber could hardly be said to be in orbit, in fact, it's barely off the launching pad. The Chamber, however, is to be commended for establishing some realistic goals, and then drafting some of the ablest men of the community to carry out projects leading to the goals.

Under the leadership of President Harold Frenz, and with such committee chairmen as William Belding and William Greenawalt, the future for the Chamber of Commerce is unusually bright.

With the support of community leaders who are willing to shoulder a fair share of the burden of a Chamber of Commerce, the day is near when the local organization can chart its own course, finance its own program, and take credit for its own accomplishments. This is as it should be.

America's Achievements

It is a cliché of the statist that government can do everything better than mere people can. The facts, of course, don't bear this out. The catastrophic federal operation of railroads during the World War I period is historic evidence.

Actually, the great achievements that have given America its industrial and economic stature have been the achievements of private initiative, financed by private capital. The steel industry, the automotive industry, private power development, the oil industry... all these giants of our economy are the products of private enterprise.

The recent announcement that Pacific Gas & Electric Company would build the world's largest industrial atomic power plant in the San Francisco Bay Area was in itself exciting evidence of the way in which the American people, by their faith in their own ability, can continually find new means of converting nature's bounty to man's good purpose. But the evidence lay not only in the fact that the atom has at last been tamed into a fuel economically competitive with fossil fuels; it lay also in the revelation that PG&E would further utilize its own development of sea water desalinization in order to supply the necessary fresh water for the atom plant's boilers.

Drawing fresh water from the sea is an ancient dream of man, and while government is being urged to appropriate huge sums to explore the possibilities, private industry is actually doing it as a routine part of its everyday job of supplying power to private customers. The really new frontiers of this nation are being opened not by bureaucracy but by the people, gifted with imagination, spurred by determination, buttressed by faith in themselves.

Opinions of Others

"Remember the NRA? Let's bring it back, but with the distinction of being the National Retrenchment Administration."—Loyd Neff, Johnson County (Overland Park, Kans.) Herald.

"A communist is a fellow who borrows your pot to cook your goose in."—Fred W. Grown & Bergen (Edge-water, N.J.) Citizen

"We're strongly opposed to socialized medicine, except that we believe the government should supply aspirin free to taxpayers."—E. M. Rensburg, Vista (Calif.) Press.

"There never was a time in history than now when people had more,—and more people were dissatisfied."—George B. Bowra, Aztec (N. M.) Independent-Review.

"A dime is a dollar from which the taxes have been removed."—John L. Teets, Nicholas (Richwood, W. Va.) Republican.

"The two words, Federal Aid, have become misleading by-words of the American vocabulary and thought, and as silent and effective Pied Pipers, have led us down a one-way street of false philosophy. Let's abolish, bury and forever abandon the term Federal Aid!"—W. M. Mims, Easley (S. C.) Progress.

"Better not invite trouble. It always accepts." — J. Francyl Howard, Albany (Ore.) Greater Oregon.

"A modern college athlete is one whose father continually writes to him for money."—Walter P. Eichinger, East Grand Forks (Minn.) Record.

"If American prestige was on the skids during the Eisenhower administration, as President Kennedy insisted before the election, it certainly has not taken an upturn under the new administration."—Bill Palmroth Sweet Home (Ore.) New Era.

Card Carrying Communists



From the Mailbox

By Our Readers

Editor, Torrance Herald

May I express the gratitude of the entire Department for your help in our recent request for an 11 per cent salary increase.

We have endeavored, and will redouble our efforts to provide the finest possible professional service to the citizens we serve.

Many thanks, also, for the part you have taken in our recruitment drive.

May I assure you of our continued cooperation in any way possible

Sincerely,
Peter J. Pitchess
Sheriff

Editor, Torrance Herald

On behalf of thousands of volunteer workers who annually raise funds for the Community Chest in the Harbor Area, I want to thank you for using the 1960-61 stewardship report to let contributors know where their funds are spent.

Your help in disseminating this information is part of our continuous effort and our pledge to always let the people know how and where their Community Chest contributions are used.

We sincerely appreciate this generosity and we are most grateful for the continued support the Torrance Herald gives the Community Chest.

Cordially,
James Visceglia,
Harbor Area Board Chairman

Editor, Torrance Herald

Once again our vast army of friends has played a major role in making the recent Hope Sunday drive on behalf of the City of Hope an unqualified success.

Certainly, a large share of the success can be credited to strong editorial support, such as that provided so unstintingly by your paper.

The patients and the board of directors of the City of Hope join me in thanking you and the wonderful people of your community for going "all out" to aid our humanitarian cause. It is because of such generous efforts that we are able to pursue our pilot assault against catastrophic disease.

We are most grateful.

Sincerely,
Louis Tabak,
President

Editor, Torrance Herald

In behalf of the 2644 conventioners and the convention personnel for the recent assembly of Jehovah's Witnesses, California Circuit No. 16 at the Washington High School, 108th and Denker, June 23-25, I wish to express our appreciation for the co-operation and courtesy extended us from your staff. Certainly your help in publicizing this semi-annual event has been a factor in its success.

It is our desire to maintain this affable relationship by making available to you the type of news releases about

the activity of Jehovah's Witnesses that will aid you to meet the needs of the subscribers in the community you serve. In your community concern I am sure you will be interested to know much time and attention was given to our Christian conference to family, home and youth training, showing practical application of Bible principles in combating delinquency and home conditions that breed it.

Thank you again for your participation in bringing our assembly to a successful conclusion.

GLEN HAYDEN,
Public News Service

Editor, Torrance Herald

Having read in the papers of the United States Supreme Court's decision upholding provisions of the Internal Security Act of 1950, requiring Communists to register with the government until its next session, I feel there should be some dissenting voices.

They (the Communists) had two weeks while the Court was in session in which to file their petition for a rehearing, but they chose to wait until the day following the Court's recess. Brilliant timing. Their well worn method of delayed action!

The Communists use every smallest detail, least opportunity to help their cause, "world conquest." It's time we counter attacked, foresaw their slick schemes, and blackened their cause at every step.

Their evil knife is at our throat. Can we be so naive as to throw our weight into their death thrust? Also, since when is it unconstitutional to demand a belief in the existence of God? The Declaration of Independence reads, "God has endowed man with inalienable rights." These 'rights' presumably were not meant to include

the right to undermine our nation's government, which is what happens when godless men wield power.

We have proof of this past and present history. America was built by men who believed in their Creator. It will not be held by men with feet of clay, men who have no need for God's strength and love.

Animals do not profess belief in God, but who wants to live as, or be subject to an animal?

MRS. LEO CARNAHAN

Gains and Brains

By Estey I. Reed

The Christian Science Monitor, Nov. 27, 1908, said the home was being subjected to the greatest strain in history, with many forces conspiring to wreck the foundation of our civilization. Also, multiplication of machinery had a tendency to break it down. Cost of living constantly increased, forcing women to work to meet household expenses. "In the old days," stated the article, "father, mother, and children all worked under the same roof. Now all are scattered during the day." Sound familiar? Yet, 53 years later, the family still exists, with signs of stress but showing hope.

Some people aren't happy by prosperity. Some families' poverty seems to make them closer and dependent on each other. An inheritance or a sudden streak of good fortune often brings about changes. Frequently, attitudes between members of those families change toward one another. Breakups in families often occur. "He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver." (Ec-

AFTER HOURS By John Morley

Blunders in Cuba Still Call for Investigation

FORT LEAVENWORTH — President Kennedy inherited an impossible Cuban policy, as did President Eisenhower before him. Both Batista and Castro were sold to the nation as liberators of the Cuban people by US firms with major holdings in Cuba, with an important assist by the New York Times.

It is now revealed by a former US ambassador in Cuba that he personally had warned the US state department that Fidel Castro was a Communist and could not be trusted. The New York Times said just the opposite and gave Castro full editorial support.

We had already broken off diplomatic relations with Castro when President Kennedy took office. The President appointed new advisors on foreign policy and selected 29-year-old Richard Goodwin as his expert on Cuba.

Other White House advisors, such as Walt Rostow, Theodore Sorensen, McGeorge Bundy were consulted, but in all probability Secretary Rusk, Ambassador Adlai Stevenson and Richard Goodwin were the key men on Cuban decisions. It is reliably reported in Washington that Adlai Stevenson persuaded the President not to use US air power to protect the Cuban invasion.

The decision to invade Cuba was made by President Kennedy and, while he assumed full responsibility, his was not the full responsibility. His advisors share that responsibility and the nation should be told who they were; and they should be exposed to Congressional scrutiny and investigation.

Incompetence of serious proportions has been evident, and the possibility of something worse cannot be ruled out. The nation has suffered so much loss of prestige over Cuba that a full investigation is in order.

The same White House ad-

visors recommended that the President talk tough on Laos and then advised against him taking action. They advised him on initiating the Vienna conference with Khrushchev which was doomed to failure by the very bad climate which preceded it.

He was advised to take the plunge in Cuba and then persuaded not to use air power to secure the landings. Then they advised him to take up the Castro offer of prisoners for tractors which seriously damaged our prestige throughout the world.

President Kennedy and his advisors are responsible for involving the nation in the prisoner-tractor deal. Whether the President persuaded Messrs. Milton Eisenhower and Walter Reuther and Mrs. Roosevelt, or they persuaded him, is purely academic.

The President approved the negotiations for the release of 1214 prisoners not for purely humanitarian reasons but because the US government was officially committed in the invasion and by withholding air support at the last moment prevented its success. The President also had in mind that among the 1214 Cuban prisoners there are some 50 US citizens.

President Kennedy said on May 24, 1961: "Neither law nor equity calls upon us to impose obstacles in the path of the committee I appointed, and as they seek to save those who fought to restore freedom in our hemisphere, I am advised that the Logan act is not involved inasmuch as it covers only negotiations in relation to any disputes with the US, or to defeat the measures of the US."

The President assumes for the nation that "neither law nor equity should impose obstacle, no matter what the humanitarian requirements of the moment happen to be. The Logan act is involved and his advice may or may

not stand up in the courts.

The President also said: "While the government is thus putting forward neither obstacles nor assistance to this wholly private effort, I hope all citizens will contribute what they can."

Surely President Kennedy is not serious when he says our government is not putting forward any assistance—and that the prisoner-tractor deal was wholly a private affair. Then the President irritated an old wound when he said: "If they were our brothers in a totalitarian prison, every American would want to help."

It must be known to the President that hundreds of US citizens, some of them for more than 20 years, have been rotting and dying in Communist prisons in Russia and Red China. After the Korean war it was common knowledge among the US high command in Seoul and Tokyo that hundreds of US prisoners were never repatriated from the Communists after the armistice at Panmunjom.

John Noble, who was for many years in a Soviet prison in Siberia, reported that hundreds of Americans were still there, forsaken and forgotten by the government.

Since the President expressed such concern about "our Cuban brothers suffering in totalitarian camps," — may we raise our voice for our real American brothers rotting in communist prisons, who should be our primary concern?

While not detracting from our responsibility to the Cuban prisoners, since we officially sanctioned the abortive invasion of Cuba—and at the last moment refused air support, which proved so prominent a reason for its failure—President Kennedy's concern brings into focus our 20-year neglect of our own citizens in Communist prisons as a blot on our national honor and conscience.

Area Youth Hostel Group Now in Formation Stage

By JERRY REYNOLDS

Herald Staff Writer

Teen-agers and young adults in the Torrance area will have something to look forward to if the efforts currently being made to establish a club of the American Youth Hostels are realized.

AYH — short for American Youth Hostels — is a non-sectarian corporation organized to provide people from 4 to 94 with hosting activities of all varieties. The pert young miss responsible for the current interest in the AYH is Miss Marguerite Hennings.

Miss Hennings was introduced to the AYH program in Evanston, Ill., while visiting her grandmother. She joined the Evanston club and became interested in the kind of activity which the hostels provide the young in heart.

The major problem con-

fronting the hostel enthusiasts now is a sponsor. Hostels are often sponsored by civic groups, service clubs, or city departments. Currently, the Torrance group is investigating the possibility of a sponsorship by the Torrance Recreation Dept., but no commitment has been made.

A small group of Riviera residents, primarily teenagers, have formed the nucleus of the Torrance club, but they are quick to point out that hosting is not limited to any one age group. Activities from cycle trips to golfing, boating, bowling, beach parties, and family nights are offered by hostels.

A Los Angeles area council is headquartered at 323 So. Western Ave., which features a strong European travel program. Again, local members are quick to show that hosting, while strong in foreign travel programs, offers much on the local level.

The Torrance club hopes to have its charter by the end of August, and they have already indicated that the club will be concerned with local activities. Miss Hennings explains that the Los Angeles Council and the Torrance club would then complement each other.

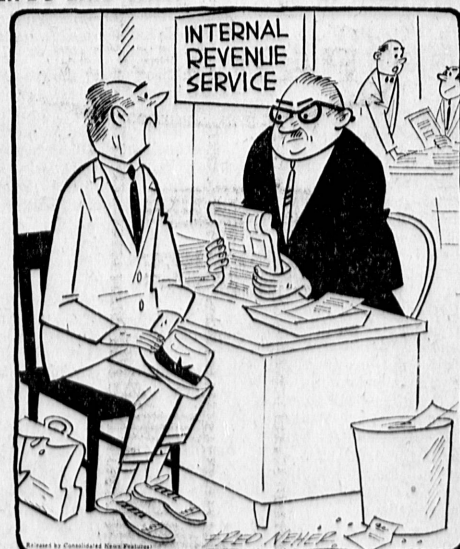
Activities planned by the Torrance Club include twilight cycling, family beach parties, barbecues, golfing, bowling, and perhaps sailing. The group also expressed a desire to obtain some instruction in the proper ways to use a surf board.

Information regarding the Torrance club can be obtained from Marguerite or Barbara Hennings at 24 Calle de Madrid.

The organization is tax exempt by a ruling of the U.S. Treasury, and contributions to the group are deductible.

LIFE'S LIKE THAT

By FRED NEHER



"Why can't I list the government as a dependent? I pay them every year!!"

Law in Action

Talking the Case Over

The law favors settlements out of court.

"Let's talk this over before we go to court." Lawyers for each side are duty bound to try to "settle" even where their clients are not on speaking terms. Well over 90 per cent of the automobile accident cases are settled without going to trial.

Will this "talking it over" work in criminal cases as well as it has in civil suits? Well, recently California district attorneys have tried it.

For a person suspected of a small crime (misdemeanor), the district attorney may call him in, give him a citation, talk over the accusation, and if possible, settle minor infractions without costly court trials.

As a rule, if the accused doesn't show up when invited in, the district attorney gets

out a warrant for his arrest, and he is in trouble. But if he comes in, a deputy will confer with him, his lawyer, and his accuser. Often the violator gets a reprimand or the parties reach a solution to satisfy everybody.

Of course if the violation is grave, the accused may still have to face court. For a district attorney cannot punish. Only a court can.

Even before such a citation, the district attorney has to screen complaints. He rejects those that may be purely private and involve no crime.

In private (civil) lawsuits the courts also bring the parties together to try to settle their dispute before trial.

Either party may have the other side tell his story, pro-

duce his books, records, medical reports, and name witnesses. If you are a plaintiff in a damage suit, say in an automobile accident, you may have to undergo a medical examination by the defendant's doctors.

Each party can thus get a fairly good appraisal of his case. This often brings about settlements before trial.

More cases are pre-tried before a judge. This settles many points to save a jury's time. The judge often urges settlements where they seem possible. If only a trial will settle the dispute, the pre-trial judge sets the date.

Even so, settlements often occur during trial, or later.

The law favors settlements.

Note: California lawyers offer this column so you may know about our laws.